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SUBJECT: LEAHY VETTING RESPONSE (YEREVAN 57)

REF: YEREVAN 57

¶1. (U) This cable responds to the action request in reftel requesting human rights vetting for the candidate nominated to attend the 5th Annual Sovereign Challenge Conference.

¶2. (SBU) The Department of State has vetted the individual listed in reftel and possesses no credible derogatory information as of 02/19/2010. Post is authorized to include the following individual in USG-funded training:

Name of Candidate - LTC Mesrop Nazaryan  
TITLE: Defense Attache  
ORGANIZATION: Embassy of Armenia, Washington DC  
DATE AND PLACE OF BIRTH: 28 February, 1969, Armenia  
SEX: Male;  
NATIONALITY: Armenian;  
TYPE OF CONFERENCE: 5th Annual Sovereign Challenge Conference  
DATES OF CONFERENCE: 8-11 Mar, 10

¶3. (U) Post is permitted to provide the following statement to authorized parties: Embassy verifies that the Department of State possesses no credible information of gross violations of human rights by the individual identified above, as of 02/19/2010. Post may cite this cable in response.

¶4. (SBU) Note that if Post subsequently becomes aware of possible human rights violations by the individual listed above, Post should inform the Department and not proceed with training. Post should refer to the Leahy Vetting guidance manual for additional assistance.  
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